

## AUTOMORPHISMS OF NORMAL QUASI-CIRCULAR DOMAINS

Let  $m_1, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{N}$  be relatively prime. Recall that a domain  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is said to be  $(m_1, \dots, m_n)$ -circular (shortly *quasi-circular*) if

$$(\lambda^{m_1} z_1, \dots, \lambda^{m_n} z_n) \in D, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |\lambda| = 1, \quad (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in D.$$

The  $n$ -tuple  $(m_1, \dots, m_n)$  is called the *weight* of the quasi-circular domain  $D$ . If  $m_1 = \dots = m_n = 1$ , the domain  $D$  is called *circular*.

A classical result of H. Cartan [1] states that a biholomorphic map between bounded circular domains containing the origin in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  which fixes the origin is the restriction of a complex linear isomorphism. In 1970 W. Kaup [3] showed that every origin-preserving automorphism of a bounded quasi-circular domain is a polynomial mapping.

Thus, for quasi-circular domains, the following problem arises naturally (in what follows, all domains are assumed to be bounded and contained in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ , unless stated otherwise).

**Problem 1.** Let  $D$  be quasi-circular domain and suppose  $f$  is an origin-preserving automorphism of  $D$ . Describe how the weight of  $D$  and the degree of the polynomial mapping  $f$  are related.

A. Yamamori [5] studied the Problem 1 in the case  $\deg f = 1$ .

An  $(m_1, \dots, m_n)$ -circular domain  $D$  is called *normal*, if  $m_j \geq 2$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , and  $\gcd(m_j, m_k) = 1$  for any  $j, k$  such that  $m_j \neq m_k$ .

**Theorem 1** (cf. [5]). *Let  $D, G$  be normal quasi-circular domains with  $0 \in D, 0 \in G$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow G$  be biholomorphic mapping with  $f(0) = 0$ . Then  $f$  is a linear isomorphism.*

Recall that a domain  $D$  is called a *minimal domain with a center at  $z_0 \in D$*  if  $\text{Vol}(G) \geq \text{Vol}(D)$  for any biholomorphic mapping  $\varphi : D \rightarrow G$  with  $\det J(\varphi, z_0) = 1$ , where

$$J(\varphi, z) := \left[ \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial z_k}(z) \right]_{j,k=1,\dots,n}$$

is the Jacobian matrix of  $\varphi = (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n)$  at  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in D$ . We shall use the following characterization of the minimality:

**Proposition 2** (cf. [4]). *A domain  $D$  is a minimal domain with the center at  $z_0$  iff  $K_D(\cdot, z_0) \equiv c \neq 0$  on  $D$ .*

**Example 3.** The unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  is a minimal domain with center at the origin. Indeed, since

$$K_{\mathbb{D}}(z, w) = \frac{1}{\pi(1 - z\bar{w})^2}, \quad z, w \in \mathbb{D},$$

we have  $K_{\mathbb{D}}(\cdot, 0) = 1/\pi$ .

**Proposition 4** (cf. [5]). *If a domain  $D$  is quasi-circular and  $0 \in D$  then it is a minimal domain with the center at the origin.*

For a domain  $D$  and  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n), w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in D$  such that the Bergman kernel  $K_D(z, w) \neq 0$  we define an  $n \times n$  matrix

$$T_D(z, w) := \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \bar{w}_j \partial z_k} \log K_D(z, w) \right]_{j,k=1,\dots,n}.$$

$T_D(z, z)$  is a positive definite Hermitian matrix for all  $z \in D$ .

A domain  $D$  is called a *representative domain (in the sense of Lu Qi-Keng)* if there is a point  $z_0 \in D$  such that  $T_D(\cdot, z_0) = \text{const}$  on  $D$ . The point  $z_0$  is called the *center of the representative domain  $D$* .

**Example 5.** The unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  is a representative domain with center at the origin. Indeed, since

$$T_{\mathbb{D}}(z, w) = \left[ \frac{2}{(1 - z\bar{w})^2} \right], \quad z, w \in \mathbb{D},$$

we have  $T_{\mathbb{D}}(\cdot, 0) = [2]$ .

**Proposition 6** (cf. [5]). *Let  $D$  be normal quasi-circular domain with  $0 \in D$ . Then it is a representative domain with the center at the origin.*

Let  $D$  be a domain and let  $p \in D$ . Put

$$U_p^D := \{z \in D : K_D(z, p) \neq 0\}$$

and define a mapping  $\sigma_p^D : U_p^D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  by

$$\sigma_p^D(z) := T_D(p, p)^{-1/2} \operatorname{grad}_{\bar{w}} \log \frac{K_D(z, w)}{K_D(p, w)} \Big|_{w=p}, \quad z \in U_p^D,$$

where  $T_D(p, p)^{1/2}$  stands for the unique positive semidefinite square root of the matrix  $T_D(p, p)$  and for anti-holomorphic function  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  we set

$$\operatorname{grad}_{\bar{w}} f(w) := {}^t \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{w}_1}(w), \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{w}_n}(w) \right).$$

The mapping  $\sigma_p^D$  is called the *Bergman mapping defined at  $p$* . One may check that (cf. [2])

- (1)  $\sigma_p^D(p) = 0,$
- (2)  $J(\sigma_p^D, z) = T_D(p, p)^{-1/2} T_D(z, p), \quad z \in U_p^D.$

For a domain  $G$  and a biholomorphic mapping  $\varphi : D \rightarrow G$  we define an  $n \times n$  matrix

$$L(\varphi, p) := T_G(\varphi(p), \varphi(p))^{-1/2} \overline{J(\varphi, p)^{-1}} T_D(p, p)^{1/2}.$$

**Proposition 7** (cf. [2]). *Let  $D, G$  be domains,  $p \in D$ , and let  $f : D \rightarrow G$  be a biholomorphic mapping. Then the diagram*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U_p^D & \xrightarrow{f|_{U_p^D}} & U_{f(p)}^G \\ \sigma_p^D \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma_{f(p)}^G \\ \mathbb{C}^n & \xrightarrow{L(f, p)} & \mathbb{C}^n \end{array}$$

commutes.

**Proposition 8** (cf. [5]). *Assume that  $D, G$  are minimal representative domains with the center at the origin. Then any biholomorphic mapping  $f : D \rightarrow G$  with  $f(0) = 0$  is linear.*

*Proof of Theorem 1.* By Propositions 4 and 6 we know that  $D$  and  $G$  are minimal representative domains with the centers at the origin. Then, by Proposition 8, we conclude that  $f$  is linear.  $\square$

*Proof of Proposition 8.* Since  $D, G$  are both minimal, from Proposition 2 we conclude that  $U_0^D = D$  and  $U_0^G = G$ . Since  $D$  is representative, we have  $T_D(\cdot, 0) = T_D(0, 0)$  on  $D$ . Hence (2) implies that

$$J(\sigma_0^D, z) = T_D(0, 0)^{1/2}, \quad z \in D.$$

Consequently,  $\sigma_0^D$  is an affine transformation. By (1) we have  $\sigma_0^D(z) = T_D(0, 0)^{1/2} z$ , i.e.  $\sigma_0^D$  is linear. Similarly we show that  $\sigma_0^G$  is linear. Hence Proposition 7 implies that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D & \xrightarrow{f} & G \\ T_D(0, 0)^{1/2} = \sigma_0^D \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma_0^G = T_G(0, 0)^{1/2} \\ \mathbb{C}^n & \xrightarrow{L(f, 0)} & \mathbb{C}^n \end{array}$$

commutes. In particular,

$$f(z) = T_G(0, 0)^{-1/2} L(f, 0) T_D(0, 0)^{1/2} z, \quad z \in D,$$

i.e.  $f$  is linear.  $\square$

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